



NEWSLETTER

12 December 2025

WELCOME

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much for a very successful Autumn Term at Beechfield. We have been thrilled with the attendance, behaviour and progress of our children since the start of term.

I have included our validated KS2 results which show the excellent progress and achievement of our students.

We have enjoyed the Christmas productions performed by Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 this week. Thank you for your support at these performances and thank you to the staff as well. Y5 gave a rousing performance on their cornets too. Well done!

Last week our local MP, Matt Turmaine, came to talk to Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. They asked him some really good questions such as what was he doing about the cost of rents in Watford, and what was he doing about how much food costs and why are the roads always being dug up to repair pipes! He was very impressed by the children's questions and behaviour.

Thank you for your attendance and engagement with our parent workshops for Early Years, parents evening and the book-looks this term. We know working together leads to better outcomes for our children. We are looking forward to this continuing in the Spring Term.

As this is our last newsletter of 2025, I wish you all a very Happy Christmas if you celebrate and happy and safe holidays to you all.

Mrs Jackson



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

15th December: 9am: Y6 SATS workshop for parents
15th December: 3pm: Reception Parents Workshop
17th December: 9.30am: KS2 Carols at Christchurch
18th December: Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day
18th December: Nursery - End of term
19th December: 1.30pm - End of term for students in Reception to Y6 and staff.
Monday 5th January 2026 : INSET day - school closed
Tuesday 6th January 2026: Spring Term begins

Full term dates for 2025-26 and 2026-27 can be found on the school website.

<https://www.beechfield.herts.sch.uk/termdates>

WRAPAROUND CARE FROM JANUARY

You will have seen the email sent this week about Challenge Sport taking over delivery of the wraparound childcare at Beechfield from January. For more information including how to book, please click on the link below.

[Beechfield Wraparound Childcare](#)

If you have any questions, please email Challenge Sport at info@challengesportseducation.co.uk or message them on WhatsApp on 07719 319932.

ACTIVITY CLUBS HAVE FINISHED!

Please remember that the before and after school activity clubs have finished for the term today. Please collect your children at the normal time of 3.10pm next week. New activity clubs will be set up for January.

BOOSTERS HAVE FINISHED!

Before and after school booster sessions have now finished for the term. Please collect your children at the normal time of 3.10pm next week.

SEND NEWS

Please see the two flyers sent out with this newsletter with tips for an autism-friendly Christmas.

Mrs Cahill, SENCO



BOOK FAIR

🎉 Thank you all for making our recent Book Fair such a wonderful success! 🎉

We were thrilled to see so many families come together to celebrate reading and support our school community. Your enthusiasm, generosity and love for books helped create a fantastic atmosphere, and we are incredibly grateful for everyone who browsed, bought or simply came along to join in. Your support has meant being able to raise valuable funds that will go directly towards enhancing our school library. Thank you for supporting us. Mrs Ahmed

E-SAFETY

The holiday season is a time to relax, celebrate and enjoy time with family and friends. To support families during the winter break, we have shared two helpful guides. One guide offers advice on keeping children and young people safe online over the festive period. The second encourages a healthy break from screens and making the most of time together. It includes ideas such as baking, crafting Christmas decorations and enjoying winter walks.

Both guides are attached, and we wish all our families a happy and restful Christmas. 🎄

GARDENING UPDATE

The gardening club has been quiet recently. Before half term Y2 planted radishes and onions. Both are growing, but are small. Mrs Shah came into school and together with the children, we cut up banana skins which will compost down and enrich the soil.

Mrs Goldsmith



Key Stage 2 validated results 2025

62 pupils	School 2025	Herts 2025	National 2025	Difference With national
Reading	82%	78%	75%	+7%
% EXS				
Reading	25%	39.1%	33.1%	
% GDS				
Writing (TA)	77%	72.2%	72.2%	+4.8%
% EXS				
Writing (TA)	12%	15.5%	12.8%	
% GDS				
Maths	87%	75.6%	74%	+13%
% EXS				
Maths	23%	30%	26.3%	
%GDS				
GPS	80%	75.7%	72.6%	+7.4
% EXS				
GPS	35%	33.9%	29.5%	+5.5
%GDS				
RWM	72%	63.3%	62.2%	+9.8
% EXS				
RWM	3%	10.5%	8.4%	-5.4
% GDS				
Science	83.9%		82%	+1.9

Average Scaled Score

Average scaled score	2025	National 2025	Difference
Reading	106	105.6	+0.4
Maths	106	104.7	+1.3
GPS	107	105.4	+1.6

PUPIL VOICE

The JLT (Junior Leadership Team) report on what's gone well this term: workshops, leavers jumpers in Year 6, football tournaments, playing football in PE, Puppet Project In Year 6, RE topic about Christmas, classroom seating plan, mental health workshops, Hello Yellow Day, 2 non-school uniform days, practicing Christmas songs, Maths, trips e.g. St Albans Cathedral and Sky Studios, doing extra revision for SATs, friendships, school dinners, teachers, the lessons, kindness.

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AMAZING ACHIEVEMENT!

One of our Y2 students, Risha has entered the BBC 500 Words competition and has progressed to the next stage with her story which we would like to share with you. This is her original work.

Minty the Bluebird

Once upon a time there was a blue bird called Minty. She was very happy and she lived at the top of the tallest tree in the woods with her cheeky brother Thorn and her mum Rose and her dad Storm.

Minty loved lots of things. She loved finding worms and she loved looking for treasure and she loved playing with her friends. But her most favorite game of all was hide and seek!

One sunny morning Minty and Thorn were going to play a treasure hunt with their neighbor Squirrel Sam. But then they heard a voice.

"Help Help!"

"Oh no!" cried Minty. "Someone needs us!"

They rushed outside and they saw Brenda the butterfly stuck in a sticky spider web.

"What happened?" asked Thorn.

"I was flying to see my cousin Carlos the caterpillar," Brenda said. "Then I got stuck and I can't get out!"

Minty and Thorn pulled and pulled but the web was too strong. Thorn called Buzz the bumble bee. Buzz zoomed over and tugged and POP one wing came free.

"Don't worry!" shouted Minty. She called her friend Paulina the parrot. Paulina flapped her wings and they wriggled and yanked and—BOING!—Brenda was free!

"Yay!" shouted everyone. Brenda spun round. "Thank you thank you! Oh and guess what Carlos saw something shiny near the old oak tree. Maybe it's treasure!"

Minty's eyes went wide. "A treasure hunt!"

"Come on Sam!" shouted Thorn.

Sam flicked his tail. "I'm ready let's go!"

So off they went. First they found a line of acorn caps. Then they found a feather on a stick. Thorn put it on his head like a hat and everyone laughed.

They marched through the forest and they hopped over rocks and they squeezed under branches and then at the big oak tree they saw something shiny.

"It's a box!" said Minty.

They opened it and inside were shiny stones and golden leaves and a flower crown.

"Treasure!" squeaked Sam.

Thorn laughed and put the crown on Minty. "Now you are Queen Minty!"

Minty giggled. "I love it!"

They carried the treasure home and Rose and Storm listened to the whole story. "We are so proud of you," said Mum. Dad puffed out his feathers.

So they had a big party. Everyone came—Buzz and Paulina and Brenda and Carlos the caterpillar. They ate juicy berries and crunchy nuts and sweet honey drops. Sam stuffed so many nuts in his cheeks he could hardly talk and everyone laughed and laughed.

Then they sang songs and then they played hide and seek. Minty was the best hider. She hid behind a big mushroom and nobody found her for ages!

When the stars twinkled above, the friends curled up tired but happy.

It was the best day ever!!!